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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

Wednesday - October 08, at 7:30 PM

Beth Haven Pleasant View 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401

Enter at the main entrance, turn left to the elevator. Take the elevator to the second floor, and the club's meeting room is directly across the hallway. See map directions on HARC website.

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST - OCTOBER 2014

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HARC MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER, 2014 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes September 10, 2014

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:30pm with 20 people present including 4 guests and introduced 2 visitors new to the area .They are Jack Gardner (KE6PD), and Larry Bye (WB0VNR). The club would like to extend a warm welcome.

Minutes for the August meeting were brought up for discussion. A motion to approve was made by Luan (KA9WAY) and seconded by Carol Bartlett (WA9EFV). The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Larry (WB2UFO). Last month's Ending Balance was \$1,528.17; this month's ending balance is \$1,523.17. The CD balance is \$1,318.01, and Total Assets are \$2,841.18. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by J.D. (W0AJD) and seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried.

Dave (KB0RZN) read two letters from the Siteman Cancer Center and Washington University. The letters thanked us for the donation to Siteman Cancer Center we made in honor of Kermit Craig (K0ZXQ). Repeaters:

Don (KD0HHN) reported that both repeaters seem to be operating with no problems. Unfinished Business:

Don (KD0HHN) again mentioned House Resolution 4969 which gives the FCC the ability to over-ride Home Owners Associations restrictions. It would require reasonable accommodations in HOA covenants for outdoor antennas. Don (KD0HHN) and Larry (WB2UFO) previously reported sending letters to Rep. Sam Graves. The goal is to get as many co-sponsors of the bill as possible. Don received a response from Rep. Graves stating he has joined as a co-sponsor.

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Mike Nowack (NA9Q) had been scheduled to make a presentation on DSTAR at the September meeting, but had to cancel. Don (KD0HHN) said we could try to schedule him next month, but because October is a testing month, he would check with Fred (KB0WIL) and see if anyone is scheduled to test.

New Business:

Don (KD0HHN) reminded everyone that elections will be coming up in December and if you want to run for office, let him know. We will also have the Christmas Dinner at the December meeting. Don will see about reserving the meeting room at 6:30pm for the meal.

(N0WNV) made a motion to see if we could reserve the Cafeteria where we held it last year. The motion was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried.

Ed (N0WNV) made a motion to have the Secretary read the previous month's minutes at every meeting in case someone does not have internet access. John (KC9MMO) seconded, and the motion carried.

Bonnie (WB0WAP) encouraged anyone with items for sale to contact her before the 25th of the month and she would list in the newsletter.

J.D. (W0AJD) said he was contacted by Ed Shannon (WA6JMR) about adding personal information to the roster. Larry (WB2UFO) will get the information from J. D. and forward it to Fred (KB0WIL) to make the roster updates. Larry also offered to mail copies of the newsletter or roster to anyone that requests it. 50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Ed (K9WAY).

A motion to adjourn was made by Carol (WA9EFV), and it was seconded by Ed (K9WAY). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2014

October 8th

Exams will take place at 8:30 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting. The exam session will be at the Beth Haven Pleasant View, 641 Euclid Avenue Hannibal, Mo 63401. Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at kb0wil@arrl.net or 573-221-2429.

The 2014 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.







YUM!!!!!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK BY DON VARY KDØHHN



Looks like fall is here, at least according to the calendar, but temp wise it still feels a little bit like summer. With the onset of fall, it's time to check the antennas, coax and connectors to make sure that everything is ok before the onset of colder weather. I don't think that there are any of us who would want to go outside in the middle of winter to deal with a problem that could have been taken care of when the weather was warmer

It was nice to see some new faces at the meeting this month, and I would like to welcome our newest member, Jack Gardner, KE6PD to the club. Hopefully it won't take long for Jack to get his equipment unpacked and on the air. Looking forward to hearing you on the air

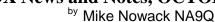
At last report, Representative Graves had signed on as a co-sponsor for H.R. 4969, but with Congress being on one of their many recesses, it is not known when this may progress farther and hopefully be adopted by the F.C.C. I will keep everyone informed on its progress, as more info becomes available, and if anyone should hear anything about it, please let me know.

Just a reminder for everyone, elections will be coming up in December. The current slate of officers is: myself, KDØHHN as President; Ed, NØWNV as Vice-President; Larry, WB2UFO as Treasurer; Dave, KBØRZN as Secretary; and Cliff, KØCA as Trustee. The only requirements are that you be a member of the club and be available to serve the office. If you are interested in running for an office, please let me know before the December meeting. Also the December meeting will be our Christmas dinner meeting. We are tentatively planning to have the dinner starting at 6:30PM with the meeting starting at 7:30.

Mike Nowak was going to do a presentation of D-Star at the last meeting, but something came up and he was unable to attend. If we do not have testing at the October meeting, Mike is still planning on doing the presentation at this meeting. If not, we will reschedule. Well, I guess that's all for this month. Hope everyone is safe and well, and we'll see you on down the log.

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DX NOTES....

The CQ WW DX Phone Test is nearly here. This event along with the CW weekend in November are two operating events two of the best opportunities to work some of the rare ones, and to fill some holes in your band chart for the many more common entities. Activity on the low bands is picking up with 40M providing some choice DX and 80M is improving but is still awaiting the time when the sun will be lower in the Southern skies. With winter just around the corner, now is a good time to check out your wire antennas and tag lines for wear and tear. It is a lot easier to re-hang an 80M dipole now versus a cold winter day when the snows are flying.

The most notable upcoming operation is the one from Tromelin Island scheduled to come on the air on Halloween. Hopefully this will be a treat without any nasty tricks. Tromelin is a semi-arid island in the West Indian Ocean and is administered as part of the French Overseas Territories. There is a remoted weather station and a short landing strip on the island but not much else except for wildlife including large colonies of boobies. The closest inhabited land is Reunion Island. The last amateur radio operation from Tromelin was in 2000.

Although not a DX event, don't forget the Illinois QSO Party coming up in October. The date is October 19 and it is your opportunity as an Illinois resident to be sort of DX. As such you may work everyone for event credit, whereas stations outside Illinois can only work Illinois based stations. The WIARC is the sponsoring group so it would be great to hear heavy participation from our own club members. Details may be found on the ILQP page of the club's web site at www.w9awe.org.

DX News.....

3W, TIMOR-LESTE. Sei, JA7LU and Hiro, JA2VWG will be QRV as 4W6LU and 4W6DD, respectively, from Dili, IOTA OC-148, from September 22 to 29. Activity will be on 40 to 6 meters using SSB and RTTY. QSL direct to home calls.

7Q, MALAWI. Karl, DK2WV, will once again be active as 7Q7VW from the Radio Dinosaur FM - Karonga Museum in Malawi between October 1-21st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested SSB frequencies: 1827 (1817 JA only), 3507, 7007 and 50105 kHz (QRM permitting). QSL via DK2WV for direct (see QRZ.com).

8Q, MALDIVES. George, KQ8Z/GM0IIO, will be active as 8Q7OO from Kuredu Island, Maldives (AS-013), between October 29th and November 11th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL direct (w/SAE 2 USDs) only to GM0IIO. (No eQSL, LoTW or Bureau).

9N, NEPAL. Knut, DK5AD, is now active as 9N7AD from Banepa until October 4th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using a KX3 and a vertical antenna. QSL via his home callsign. For updates, watch QRZ.com under DK5AD or 9N7AD.

A5, BHUTAN Pekka, OH2YY (ex-A52YY), and his good friend Pekka, OH1TV, will be returning to Bhutan and will be active as A52O between September 26th and October 6th. They will be staying close to the city of Paro. This time they have no other activities in Bhutan and they will focus 100% on amateur radio! The QTH will be up on a hill facing to north and it should give a good take off to North America, most of South America, northern Asia, Middle-East and whole Europe. QSL checking will be on QRZ.com and on LoTW. QSL cards directly to home address (OH2YY) or via SRAL QSL Bureau.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Before their participation in the VK9DLX Lord Howe Island DXpedition, operators Mathias/DJ2HD and Gerd/DJ5IW will be active as E51HDJ and E51XIW, respectively, from Rarotonga (OC-013) between September 31st and October 6th. Activity will be holiday style from a friend's ham radio station on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS. Bill, N7OU, will once again be operating as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands, between October 13th and November 9th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW only, in his spare time as work allows. QSL via N7OU.

FT/T, TROMELIN IS. A French group of 6 experienced operators will activate FT5TA from this rare one from 30 October through 10 November. Around the clock operation is planned on all HF bands with logs uploaded daily to ClubLog and LoTW. A special issue French stamp will be issued to coincide with the operation. All direct QSL cards will be posted using this stamp and special cover. The stamp commemorates the first amateur radio operation from Tromelin 60 years ago. QSL via the ClubLog OQRS site link or direct to F1NGP.

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN. Ed, WA1ZAM will be QRV as PJ7PL from the Royal Palm Beach Resort in Cole Bay, IOTA NA-105, from September 21 to October 15. Activity is holiday style on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL direct to home call.

TR, GABON. Alain, F6CTL is QRV as TR8CA. His length of stay is unknown. QSL via F6CBC.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISLAND (Press Release, September 17th). Christian, DL1MGB, reports: "In less than four weeks VK9DLX will be QRV. All systems are still on go and the team can't wait any longer to start. Our cargo of over three tons was cleared by Australian customs and is now on the way to Port Macquarie. On September 25th, the Island Trader will take it onboard on its regular round trip to Lord Howe Island. The main team will arrive on October 12th on Lord Howe Island. Some of our team members will arrive some days earlier. Robert (SP5XVY) will arrive on October 5th, Joe (DF7TH) on October 9th and Gerd (DJ5IW) and Mathias (DJ2HD) the day after. So don't be surprised if you hear VK9DLX some days earlier than expected; and not on all bands simultaneously:-). The main focus of this advance operation will be RTTY. Feel free to visit the DXpedition

website on http://www.lordhowe2014.org and subscribe to our newsletter to stay informed. No idea who the Lagunaria DX Group is? Just visit http://www.lagunaria-dx-group.org/ and learn more about the group, the people behind it and their goals.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND (Reminder). Operators Rob/N7QT and YL Melanie/AB1UH will be active as VK9AN from Christmas Island (OC-002, VKFF-098) between September 18th and October 2nd. This is a suitcase expedition on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via N7QT, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW. ADDED NOTE: Next stop is Raivavae Island (OC-114) in the Austral Islands using the callsign TX5Z.

VK0M, MACQUARIE ISLAND. It was announced on QRZ.com that Rod, VK6MH/GM4AWB, will be active as VK0MH from Macquarie Island (AN-005) between early or starting November 2014 and April 2015. Look for more info to be forthcoming.

ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND. Bob, G4DBW will be QRV as ZD8RH from Georgetown, IOTA AF-003, from September 22 to 30. Activity will be mainly on the HF bands using CW. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide RTTY DX contest. QSL to home call.

As always, thanks go to the ARRL DX Bulletin, The Ohio Penn DX Newsletter, and the 425 DX News letter for much of the above information.

73 and good DX, Mike NA9Q

FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO





Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

Hope to see everybody at the next meeting!

Dear Troops, Thanks to you, our flag is proubly flying over this country!



BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS

Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

(Joshua 1:9)

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